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News Release

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Training:

On average, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Community Emergency Response Team training (CERT) Program conducts the CERT Basic Training Course approximately 20 times a year.

Number of CERT classes that have graduated since the program started is over: 300

Number of individuals who have completed CERT Basic Training Course since the program started is over: 10,000

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's CERT Programs offer training to the general public and/or to particular groups in the community. This CERT Program holds classes for the following groups:

General public / Open classes

Teens / Youth

Language(s) in which the program conducts CERT training:

English

Spanish (LIMITED)

Supplemental training conducted, recommended, and/or required for CERT members:

CERT Animal Response I

IS-100.a Introduction to Incident Command System (ICS)

Amateur radio operation

Animals in emergencies (training other than CERT Animal Response modules)

Community relations

Additional Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) awareness

Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR)

Automatic External Defibrillation (AED)

Additional damage assessment

Basic first aid

Wildland/Urban interface issues

Exercises:

Over 2000 Community Emergency Response Teams have participated in 6 Weapons of Mass

Destruction/Terrorism exercises for emergency personnel.

Over 1500 Community Emergency Response Teams have participated in 5 natural disaster exercises for emergency personnel.

Over 7000 Community Emergency Response Teams have participated in 30 CERT-specific exercises.

CERT in Action

Emergencies

Number of times the Community Emergency Response Team have responded in actual emergencies: 5

Types of emergencies/disasters to which the Community Emergency Response Team have responded:

Flood

Missing person search

Landslide / Mudflow

Wild land / Urban interface fire

Activities During Emergencies

Activities conducted by Community Emergency Response Team during past emergencies:

Residential / Neighborhood checks

Special needs evacuation

Animal evacuation or shelter

General evacuation

Debris removal

Sandbagging

Managing / processing supplies or donations

Traffic management / Crowd management

Staffing Emergency Operating Center

Community relations / Distribution of emergency information to public

Non-Emergency Functions

Non-emergency functions performed by CERT members:

Hazard / Threat assessments

Mitigation activities

Support for emergency planning (neighborhoods, schools, community)

Support for public safety at community events

Emergency preparedness

Fire safety

Public health issues

Crime prevention

Terrorism awareness

Home safety / prevention assistance to others (winterizing homes, fire safety actions, crime prevention steps, etc.)

Additional CERT Program Information

Over 4000 Sheriff Volunteers serve countywide and from as early as 1999 over 700 volunteers have joined LASD CERT.

The Sheriff's Department CLEPP Unit manages all Department wide training of the FEMA CERT Course and other emergency preparedness training within areas we serve. Working with other county cities and agencies the LASD CERT Program works to maintain guidelines in accordance with the Office of Emergency Management and California Volunteers.

For more information please contact Deputy Wilson Lee, Community / Law Enforcement Partnership Programs Unit at (323) 526-5015 or Sheriff's Headquarters Bureau at (323) 526-5541.

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